

And we must teach even our potato plants to shoot.

If marriage were ordered by conscription what a howl would go up.

Either dig potatoes or dig trenches. You will fit in one place or the other.

Uncle Sam has now become the generous uncle of more than half the planet.

The cost of flour is a signal to the American farmer that his country needs him.

Fashion hint: Take that image of the flag of your collar and wear it on your heart.

Most Americans can pronounce Lens as easily as a Frenchman can, but not the same way.

There's many an amateur gardener willing to do the planting if his wife will do the weeding.

The summer vacation might be spent romantically on some farm knocking off potato bugs.

Look out for dishonest collectors of funds for war purposes. Make them show their credentials.

Now that the price of food has become prohibitive, we shall have to live on rice and vegetable soup.

The regulation of food prices should offer a bonus to the man who is willing to eat the cold-storage eggs.

Economists predict that in a short time assertions that Americans overeat will be absolutely groundless.

One industry which is to be severely discouraged in the general agricultural boom is that of bomb-planting.

Now that they are singing the "Star-Spangled Banner" in Paris we might try our throats on the "Marseillaise."

Big crops of oats are promised and next winter will be gloomy for the man who never learned to love porridge.

The scientists are now asserting that sharks are good fish, and no doubt we shall soon see man eating man-eating shark.

Any single man who wants to be of real service to his country without wearing her uniform should take a job on a farm.

Another good scheme is to take the money you save by raising a backyard garden and invest it in the new government bonds.

"Officials Probe Spies," shrieks a headline. Truly, vivisection is being widely indulged in at the present time.

Everybody knows the British national anthem. "The Marseillaise" is a trifle more intricate of melody, but the people are learning it rapidly.

Plowing up the links for vegetable gardens would doubtless turn up a considerable amount of valuable material in the way of lost golf balls.

The military expert who sees the end of the war within a few months may have been tutored by the expert who saw the impossibility of having such a war.

The waste in food must be stopped, says an exchange. In other words there must be no more swill in your garbage can.

Another way to get yourself properly prepared for garden activities is to learn the German name for some of the common weeds.

One may not be able to get into the hero class, but nearly everyone can raise a cabbage or something equally useful to feed a hero.

It is reported that clothing is short in Germany, but probably not any shorter than some are wearing them in this country.

The war is bound to change our national habits for the better. Extravagance will become a sin and conservation of resources the duty of every individual.

These midsummer schoolboy farmers will hardly get a chance to learn the old-time comfort in warming frosty bare feet on the ground where the cow was lying.

The lessons in economy the people of the United States are now learning will be useful in times of peace as well as in times of war.

It is reported that the largest settlement in Greenland has 800 inhabitants. Isn't it strange how many people will go to some places?

According to those who don't know, all the vegetables difficult to grow successfully are just the things for this year's beginners to start back lot farms with.

Down on the farm is not to be such a journey to take as in ordinary times. Now, it may be just a step or two down into the back yard.

The marriage slacker has been cruelly deceived. Instead of escaping military service he must serve his country and support a wife besides.

## WORKERS' SAFETY IS WAR MEASURE

Reduction of Human Wastage in Industry Necessary, Says Labor Commissioner.

### REGIMENTS ARE ANNIHILATED

Average of 250 Men Killed Each Month in Pennsylvania Alone—Thousands Are Incapacitated for Further Service.

"Safety in industry has become a war measure," said Commissioner of Labor and Industry Jackson of Pennsylvania in a statement urging the imperative need for that state's waging the most vigorous and intensive campaign for industrial safety ever conducted.

"The conservation of man power is an economic problem of first importance," he declared. "With the inevitable expansion and readjustments that must follow America's entrance into the war, human wastage must receive the same careful consideration from the industrial captains that it receives from the military leaders. If the country at large is intelligently to undertake the task of cutting its sacrifice to the minimum.

"During the past year two and one-half regiments of the industrial army of the state were annihilated. Since January 1, 1917, 750 workers have been killed in this state. That is an average of 250 a month. The total number of workers killed or injured, either seriously or slightly, since the first of the year is 64,328. Of this number thousands of the injured were incapacitated for further effective service.

"In the main, the causes of industrial accidents are: "Carelessness, speeding up, the new man hazard, unguarded danger points, failure to keep in constant service safeguards provided, lack of Americanization.

"Speed in industry, a direct result of great demand for production, must be conducted under the most rigorous and constant vigilance both by employers and employees."

Fully 3,000 workmen are building the government-owned railroad in Alaska between Seward and Anchorage and Fairbanks, a distance of 470 miles, and are doing good work under the eight-hour system, according to William C. Hides, one of the three Alaska railroad commissioners.

James Wilson, president of Pattern Makers' League of North America; Frank Rist, editor of the Cincinnati Chronicle, and Thomas Jones of the Carpenters' union, have been elected members of a commission that will prepare a municipal charter for Cincinnati.

The executive council of the California State Federation of Labor has decided to co-operate with the State Building Trades council of California in invoking the initiative on the bill defeated in the legislature to abolish privately owned employment agencies.

The official tabulation of the referendum vote of the Iron Molders' union to raise dues from 40 to 50 cents a week shows that 14,040 favored the increase and 6,392 opposed. The vote was the largest in the history of this organization.

Plans to enlist 40,000 boys of Utah and Idaho into a crop-raising camp for the summer months under the direction of the Mormon church and the Utah Agricultural college are completed.

Strikes in all branches of industry throughout Finland are reported in a dispatch from Helsingfors. In some districts the strikes have been accompanied by acts of violence.

A Greek sponge fisherman's dive to a depth of 262 feet in the sea is believed to be the world's record for a man unprotected by any sort of diving apparatus.

Wages have been increased to 35 cents an hour by organized painters and paperhangers in the twin cities—Marquette, Wis., and Menominee, Mich. The textile workers of Crimmitzschau, Saxony, have voted a strike for a 75 per cent increase in wages because of the increased cost of living.

The Connecticut state senate has passed a bill that would prohibit the attachment of the body of a union man in a court action growing out of strikes. Twenty-four women are studying wireless telegraphy preparatory to their replacing the men operators employed at the navy short stations.

Attleboro, Mass., jewelry workers have organized to reduce their workday from ten to eight hours.

Ohio has appointed a commission for the study and report of health insurance and old-age pensions.

Masons at Newburyport were prevented by law from demanding more than \$1.50 a day in 1932.

At the present rate the losses by accidents in Pennsylvania this year will aggregate \$7,000,000.

Berlin (Germany) Co-operative society has 125 branches supplying the working classes.

There are more working women in New York state than in any other state in the Union.

In England many unskilled woman munition workers are earning \$15 a week.

Teamsters at Paterson, N. J., have secured a \$3 weekly increase.

An eight-hour day has been legally granted policemen in Kansas.

## NEW WAGE SCALE APPROVED

Agreement Effected by Secretary of Labor Wilson Averts Strike of 45,000 Bituminous Coal Miners.

Representatives of 45,000 miners of the central Pennsylvania bituminous coal fields in special convention voted 113 to 49 to accept the wage scale agreement drafted at a conference in Washington between a joint committee of operators and miners and Secretary of Labor Wilson. The action of the convention averted a strike which would have stopped all operations in the field.

The United States Steel corporation has purchased a big acreage near Newark in the New Jersey meadows, within striking distance of deep water, and will erect immediately one of the largest shipyards in the world, where standard 8,000 and 10,000-ton steel ships will be constructed, probably with the co-operation of the government shipping board. It is reported the construction of the new plant was requested by the government.

San Antonio (Texas) Street Car Men's union has secured what is believed to be the best wage contract in the South for this class of workers. It provides for improved working conditions and additional wages that will total over \$80,000 a year. About 200 employees are increased \$20 a month; 100 employees \$17.50 and 100 employees \$14.50. This union was organized a little over one year ago.

Lieutenant General Groener has proposed to the governments of the federated German states that representatives of labor be appointed to various organizations to satisfy the people that foodstuffs available are actually distributed justly and in accordance with the requirements of the working population.

A strike of dressmakers of Paris ended after a conference between representatives of the workers and employers with the minister of the interior and the minister of labor. The dress-making houses agreed to pay 50 centimes a day war indemnity to apprentices and 75 centimes to the sewing girls.

It is claimed that at least 25 per cent of the sickness among workers of his country can be prevented, thus diminishing present losses by about 67,500,000 days a year, resulting in a saving to the workmen of \$168,750,000 plus the gain in productivity of \$37,500,000, making a total economic gain to the nation of \$506,250,000.

The United Mine Workers sent a communication to the council of national defense and President Wilson protesting against suspension of agreements on wages and working conditions affecting 500,000 miners, as proposed by the coal committee of the defense council.

In spite of having suffered perhaps than any other nation in the war, France after two years of conflict again forbade night work to girls under eighteen years old, and provided that all night workers should be subject to medical supervision.

The Loew Victor Engine company, which manufactures engines for airplanes and submarine chasers, settled the strike of machinists at its plant. The eight-hour day was granted and all inspectors of machinery will be union machinists.

A tuberculosis hospital law in Vermont provides for the building of county hospitals by a popular vote at the annual March elections. The state will pay \$10 a week for every person making use of these institutions.

A strike of ship carpenters and caulkers in the yards of the Machias Yacht Building company at Camden, N. J., was settled by federal mediation. The company is doing construction work for the navy.

Cooks and waiters' unions in Springfield, Mass., and vicinity have organized a district council to secure an equal wage scale and to extend the principle of one day off in seven.

Conditions on the Atlantic coast have compelled vessel owners to raise wages of able seamen and firemen to \$60 a month; oilers and pumpmen, \$65; boat swains, \$70, and carpenters, \$75.

Since the war began more than 100,000 men in England have left other occupations for that of the mines, because underground workers are barred from military service.

Union longshoremen have raised wages 10 per cent for the unloading of lumber in the ports of Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit and Buffalo.

Bryn Mawr college will use the old Garrett estate near Baltimore as a farm to teach the girl students how to farm and be gardeners.

Dungannon (Ireland) district council has suggested that seed potatoes and oats be granted to laborers who are cultivating plots.

Five per cent of the population of this country earns its living directly or indirectly in the electrical business.

Frisco photo-engravers' union requests an increase of \$4 per week and a reduction in the hours of labor.

Organized labor in Alaska has secured the universal eight-hour day.

Eighty per cent of the munition workers in Great Britain are women.

Dayton (Ohio) unions aim to get 5,000 new members this year.

Fur workers in New York city have secured the eight-hour day.

Montana has a new eight-hour day law for stationary engineers.

Bartenders at Glendive, Mont., have obtained the eight-hour day.

Tinsmiths at Norristown, Pa., have secured an eight-hour day.

Connecticut cigarmakers plan a state-wide label campaign.

A public war kitchen has been opened at Nottingham, Eng.

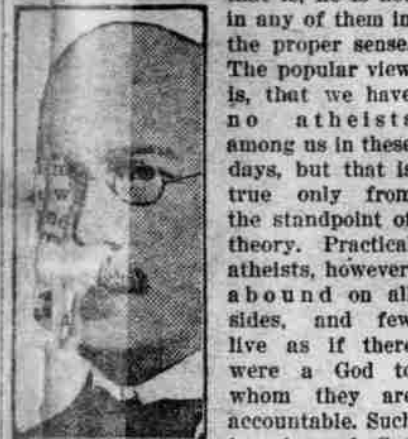
Carpenters at Greensboro, N. C., have formed a union.

### Have a Thought of God

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But he is in one mind, and who can turn him? And what his soul desired, even that he doeth.—Job 23:13.

It is a teaching of the Bible that as to God is not in all their thoughts, that is, he is not in any of them in the proper sense.



The popular view is, that we have no atheists among us in these days, but that is true only from the standpoint of theory. Practical atheists, however, abound on all sides, and few live as if there were a God to whom they are accountable. Such ignoring of God means ruin to the individual and to the community. Amidst the accumulation of the ordinary cares of life and its pleasures and the frequent extraordinary calls made on man as a member of society, he often becomes so overwhelmed that he does not appear to have time to get God in his thoughts, and it seems as if man everywhere in these awful times is thus troubled and deserves our kindest consideration.

### Why Think of God?

The first suggestion is that God is what he is. In the text he is represented as having purpose and that it is impossible to change that purpose; everything he purposes goes through to the end. God himself claims that his counsel shall stand, and he is the first and he is the last, and besides him there is another God. He asks of men that they be still and know that he is God, and he will be exalted in the earth. He takes up the islands of the sea as a very little thing. All nations before him are as nothing and vanity, and he sitteth upon the circle of the earth and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers. Paul chided the intellectual Athenians because they seemed to think God like unto gold and silver, and Job said in ancient times that a man is foolish who strives against God. Does not give account of any of his doings, and again and again does he rebuke the proud in his infinite wisdom, and he is the author of all things, worlds and universes, and he is the God of the living and the dead.

The proper thought of God will take away the despair that often comes to men as they contemplate the world about them. Never in the history of the race were the affairs of men in such ruin as today. The world seems to be dissolving and higher things held dear to man seem to be going down in a universal crash. Millions of men are dying or are mangled in battle. Millions of women and children are starving, and there is chaos everywhere, but over it all God rules. In the dark moments when President Lincoln was stricken down by the assassin's bullet, Congressman Garfield, afterwards president, said in New York, "Clouds and darkness are round about him, righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne." God was not asleep when the bullet of Booth crashed into the brain of the president. God's throne in the midst of the clouds and the darkness did not even feel a tremor.

### God in National Affairs.

Furthermore, God is in all the affairs of life, whether man recognizes his presence or not. When Victor Hugo in "Les Misérables" was seeking an explanation of the battle of Waterloo he asked, "Was it possible for Napoleon to win the battle?" We answer in the negative. Why? On account of Wellington, or Blucher? No, on account of God. . . . Napoleon had been deposed in infamy, and his fall was decided. Waterloo was not a battle; it was the transformation of a universe.

Gettysburg is considered the pivotal battle of the Civil war and "if" occurs very frequently in the story of that three days' conflict. If General Lee had attacked Howard's broken corps on July 2; if General Warren had not disobeyed orders in occupying Little Round Top; if the Confederate general Johnston had not marched in the darkness of the night farther, the issue of that battle might have been very different. How explain? The only explanation is, God was in it. Suppose the mighty army of Germany had not been suddenly stopped at the Marne, what would have occurred? Some say angels intervened, but whether they did or not, the explanation is—God.

We should think of God because thereby the highest ideals of man's existence, whether as an individual or as a member of a community, will be realized. In these days when the individual seems lost in the general turmoil, it is well to remember that God has always dealt with man in communities. The families of Noah, Abraham, Jacob and Israel in all its national history had God's recognition, and God has given the warning to such communities or nations that forget him that they shall be cast into hell, which has always been true. There is to be realized Augustine's hope of a real civitas Dei.

## WOMEN WIN HONORS

MEDICAL, PHARMACEUTICAL AND DENTAL CLASS HONOR CAPTURED BY YOUNG WOMEN.

Senator Rooks, Father of the Endowment Bill, Delivered the Commencement Address—Number of Students Have Joined With Army.

Memphis.—True to tradition, the women put one over again on men man, when the classes in medicine, dentistry and pharmacy were graduated. The first honors in each class fell easily to young women, which, after all, is not so singular, when it is recalled that women usually capture such honors. There were 58 medical graduates, one of whom was a woman, Miss Alma Bridger Richards of Crockett county. She won the highest honor. There were nine graduates in dentistry, one of whom, Miss Rutha Peyton Brooks of Memphis, was a woman. She won the highest honor. The only woman in the six members of the pharmacy class, Miss Emily Holt McCurdy of Memphis, won the highest honor.

Senator Charles W. Rooks delivered the address to the class, which was one of the largest that ever left the classic halls of the university.

It was a remarkable occasion. Senator Rooks is the savior of the university. As its president, Dr. Borwin Ayres, said, it is doubtful whether this college of medicine here could have lived another year if it had not been for Senator Rooks. As chairman of the joint legislative committee in the last legislature he made higher education his aim. He fostered the bill which gave the university a million dollars and put into it the breath of life.

"I told the graduating class last year," said Dr. Ayres, "that the day must come when a statesman would rise who would make the education of a great state his aim. That man is here. He rose sooner than we hoped for, but he came in good season."

He spoke of Senator Rooks. The senator received a flattering welcome. Members of the faculty, led by Dr. Lucius Desha, dean of the colleges of medicine and pharmacy, and Dean Gardner of the college of dentistry, were particularly enthusiastic over the reception of Senator Rooks. A large company of ladies and gentlemen, friends of the graduating class and of the university, gathered to greet them all. The exercises were held in Rogers Hall.

### Training Soldiers To Throw Grenades.

Members of the Third Tennessee regiment commanded by Col. Cary F. Spence of Knoxville will receive instructions in firing and throwing hand grenades. Lieut. Col. C. Fred Brown of this command is now located at Fort Sill, Okla., where instructions are being given in this particular method of warfare. This kind of fighting has attracted much interest along the European battle fronts and the contending troops have, in many instances, engaged in hand-to-hand encounters when the death-dealing grenades were used with telling effect.

### Liberty Bonds Bought By Board.

The members of the Tennessee board of control pledged subscriptions to the present issue of liberty bonds in amounts equal to a month's salary of each member. A conference was held by the board with its office force who also agreed to invest a month's salary in these bonds. The total amount from monthly salaries for the board and its employees amounts to \$1,693.

### No Evidence of Conspiracy.

No evidence of a conspiracy between East Tennessee coal operators and dealers and carriers was found by the Tennessee state railroad commission in a three days' investigation.

### Supreme Court Dismisses Case.

The supreme court reversed the ouster suit against E. G. Buck, county engineer of Madison county, and the case was dismissed at the cost of the relators.

Buck was charged with a number of acts of official misconduct, including irregularities in the letting of contracts for road work and falsifying accounts, etc. After hearing a large amount of proof, the chancellor found him guilty and removed him. On appeal the merits of the case were not considered, but the supreme court held that the ouster law was made to apply only to officers holding offices of profit or trust created by statute, while Buck, as county engineer, was only an employee, subject to be discharged on 30 days' notice, and that therefore he could not be removed by a proceeding brought under the ouster law.

### Soldier Gets Hat Perforated.

Oliver S. Woolard, member of the machine gun company, First Tennessee infantry, narrowly escaped death at midnight when a shot was fired through his hat by an unknown man while he was on guard at the L. & N. bridge, in the heart of the city. The ball passed through the brim of Woolard's hat, knocking it from his head. The sentinel in the darkness stood and emptied his revolver at the culprit. A search was made for the man after the exchange of shots, but no trace of him could be found.

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When Hubby Fooled Her. Mrs. Scatterbrain was constantly bemoaning her lot. Her husband, who was entitled to place half the letters of the alphabet after his name, had the most treacherous memory in the world. He could remember nothing his wife told him, in spite of bits of string round his finger and knots in his handkerchief. Only once did Mr. Scatterbrain remember to do his wife's bidding.

Said a friend to Mrs. Scatterbrain: "I think you are getting as bad as your hubby. I got a note from you yesterday dated a whole week ahead." "Heavens!" gasped Mrs. Scatterbrain, trembling with the shock. "My husband must have posted it the very day I gave it to him!"

Heroic Measures. "Has the economy wave hit your household?" "Yes," replied young Mrs. Torkins. "I've made up my mind not to waste anything; so I've invited my family to come and live with us in order that we won't have things left over from the table."

Old Saw Verified. "A short cut often proves the longest way around," said the bromide philosopher. "I agree with you," answered Mr. Dubwaite. "I took a short cut to town this morning and fell in with a pacifist who detained me in an argument that lasted an hour."

Vocal. Myrt—Some noisy hat Mabel has on this morning! Stell—Yes, isn't it a scream?

Erie railroad has discontinued 82 trains.

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